

A TRUE

## ACCOUNT

OF THE

Behaviour, Confession,

AND

EXECUTION

OF

William Charley and Ann Scot,

Who Received Sentence of Death on the 27th. of *August* last, at JUSTICE-HALL in the OLD-BATTL, and were Executed at

TYBURN

On *Friday* the 4th. of this Instant *September* 1685.

As also a Brief Account of the Seven other persons, who received Sentence of Death with them, but before Execution found mercy in a Gracious Reprieve, viz. *John Thompson, Thomas Draper, Thomas Glanister, Cathrine Baucer, Cassandra Widdows, Ellenor Steel, and Elizabeth Hacker.*

**S** Till it appears, notwithstanding the many precedent Examples Justice has made of Offenders, that divers are besotted to that degree, or deluded by the wiles and Temptations of the Enemy of mankind; that regardless of their Safety, Lives, or Reputations, they will rashly run themselves to Ruin and Disgrace, neither fear of Shame nor Severity being of force sufficient to keep them within the Bounds of Honesty and civil Behaviour, nor to make them look back and consider the danger they are in, till it is too late to Retrive the sad disaster, then, and but then, they are content to open their Eyes, and inform themselves how they have been intic'd and drawn away how easily they have consented to the

persuasions of wicked persons, whom *Satan* has laid a snares in their way to undo them, as will more evidently appear in the following Relation, in which is contained; more especially the Crimes, Manner of Behaviour and Confession of two Persons cut off by the Hand of Justice, in the prime and strength of their days, as it was observed and taken from themselves in *Newgate*, &c..

*William Charley*, Tryed the precedent Sessions, holden at *Justice-Hall* in the *Old-Bayly* upon an Indictment of Felony and Burglary, Committed on and in the Ware House of one *Mr. William Loveday*, Scituate in the Parish of *St. Michaels London*: It appeared that Cloath had been stolen thence to the

the value 120 l. and that upon search, his Master, or at least had the opportunity of taking it, he being at that time a Porter to a Drapers Shop, which Cloath he disposed of at a small value, but the Theft being found out and proved against him; He was about Four Years since burnt in the Hand for that Felony, and Cashired from his Service, after which; rambling up and down he fell in Love with a Servant Maid, and to mannage Gentely his Courtship (being destitute of any Lawful Employ, whereby he could support himself as he desired) he said he betook himself to unlawful courses stealing (as opportunity gave leave) Goods at sundry times from divers persons, spending the small value he had sold them at (being for the most part under hand) upon the Woman he so earnestly desired; being asked how he found himself as to another State, he replied, he was very sensible of his Latter End, desiring nothing more than that he might live long enough to make his peace with God, whom he had offended in so high a Nature, and whole Mercys and opportunities of Grace he had slighted and rejected, for which he was heartily sorry, hoping that it was not too late to repent him of the *Evil of his ways*, desiring such as came to visit him, that they would in Christian Charity pray for him, that God might give him a true Repentance, earnestly desiring that his misfortune might be of Efficacy to prevail upon others not to give way to deceivers and deluding persons, to intice them under any specious pretence whatsoever, to give up their mind to Idleness and Vanity; but above all, he desired that all young men Apprentices would seriously weigh his condition, and consider by what degrees he was brought to be an Object of Misery, which he said he well hoped would be a means to continue and retain them within the Bounds of Apprentices, viz. in minding the business they were intrusted with, in pleasing their Masters, and giving themselves to sobriety and moderation, but especially to avoid evil company, for that had ruined him, and as in the Root of wickedness, shame & disgrace.



To those that came to visit him he was very respectful, giving great attention to such advice as was given him, relating to a preparation for Death, and so continued very sensible and penitent during his being in *Newgate*.

*Annicot*, Convicted the same Sessions with the former, and receiving Sentence of Death, upon Evidence that she had Feloniously taken a Flower'd Mantua-Gown, a Sattin-Petticoat and other Goods, out of the House of *James Marmion*, Situate in the Parish of *St. Dunstons* in the *West*, and not being capable of saying any thing material for her self; she upon her return to *Newgate* became sad as the former, being frequently observed to wring her Hands and Sigh, saying, she was the unhappiest Woman alive with-  
 34. Years of Age, yet the greatest part of that time she had employed in sinning against her unhappy a Condition: As for the place of her Birth, she said it was in the County of *Down* in *Ireland* being brought up there to work divers curious Works with the Needle, but leaving her Parents and coming over upon a slight occasion, the chiefest Motive being to see this Country, and she after a while brought to some necessity betook her self to Imbrodering, and found a considerable Employment, living as a single Woman, in *White's-Alley* in *Chancery Lane*, working there very hard, but that sort of business failing, she fell in to loose and idle Company, who encouraged her in Leudals, and altogether took her off from her Prayer to her self, seeming very  
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attentive to good and who'some the Parish of St. *Andrews Holborn* advice relating to her immortal on the 2d. of *August* last, and steal-well-fare, expressing her desire to ing 3 Stuff-Coats, value 12 s. 2 be instructed therein, as much as pair of Breeches value 5 s. and o-Conveniency and Opportunity ther Goods of value.

would permit, and in that State of *Elizabeth Hacker*, for stealing a Penitence during the Respite in *Chamblert Cloak* value 6 l. out of *Newgate* she was very diligent. the Chamber of one *Alexander*

Seven other Persons lay like- *Hulston* of the Parsh of St. *An-* wife under the same Condemna- *drews Holbourn*, on the 27th. of tion, as *Catharine Baucer*, *Cassan-* July.

*dra Widdows*, for being concerned But these, in hopes of their a- with *Ann Scot*, in Robbing Mr. mendment and being reclaimed, *Marmion*. found the Royal Mercy & Prince-

*Thomas Draper*, for stealing a ly Compassion in a Gracious Re- Gelding, valued at 6 l. from one prievie for a longer Life, having *William Watson*, of the Parish of before expressed their Sorrowful St. Sepulchres, on the 14th of *An-* sence of their sad Condition to gust last. which they had brought them-

*John Thompson*, for breaking selves, by breaking the known the House of *Thomas Temple* of the Laws, and forfeiting their Lives Parish of St. *Michaels Wood-street* to Justice.

on the 21th. of *August* last, and On Friday the 4th. of *August*, stealing thence 7. Napkins value *William Charley* and *Ann Scot* were 4 s. 2 Handkerchiefs value 1 s. put in a Cart, and conveyed to and other Linnen. *Tyburn*, the place of Execution

*Thomas Glanister*, for breaking where they were Executed as the open the House of *John Clark*, in Law in such Cases requires.

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